unless its exploration organisation is streamlined:

(b) if so, what specific drawbacks were pointed out by the Asian Development Bank; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

रसोई गैस सिलिन्डरों का विनिर्माण

2011. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
कुमारी आशिया :

क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) प्रति वर्ष बनाए जा रहे रसोई गैस सिलिंडरों की संख्या कितनी है ;

(ख) अब तक कितने रसोई गैस कनैक्शन जारी किए गए हैं ;

(ग) प्रतिदिन कितने रसोई गैस सिलिंडरों की आवश्यकता है और इस समय कितने सिडलडर उपलब्ध हैं; और

(घ) रसोई गैस सिलिंडरों की कमी को दूर करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए गए हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री बी० शंकरानन्द) : (क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान वार्षिक तौर पर 34.30 लाख सिलेण्डर।

(ख) लगभग 172 लाख ग्राहक।

(ग) और (घ) सिलेण्डर के निर्माण की स्थापित क्षमता एल.पी.जी. सिलेण्डरों की मांग से अधिक हो जाती है। अतः इसकी कोई कमी नहीं है।

Allotment of gas agency in Jalpaiguri

2012. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that even after the fulfilment of all conditions more than 2 years ago, one LPG cylinder Factory, M/s. Haldia Precision Engineering Pvt. Ltd. in a no industry area of Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, has not been allotted the work order as yet; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Since cylinder manufacturing capacity greatly exceeds demand it has not been possible to place orders on new units for the last three years including the current year.

Exploration of oil

2013. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the plans under execution for exploration of oil in the country as on date;

(b) what is the expenditure incurred during the last three years in this regard;

(c) whether the expenditure incurred on exploration of oil is commensurate with the results achieved; and

(d) to what extent it is likely to increase availability of oil in the country?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) During the year 1991-92 ONGC and OIL have planned to carry out the seismic surveys and drilling as under:—

Seismic Surveys (SLK/GLK/LK)	Drilling (Exploratory) (Thousand Mtrs)
57147+ 9856 (3—D)	628.52

(b) to (d) On exploration ONGC and OIL have incurred a total amount of Rs. 3189.43 crores in the last three years viz. 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91.

In the last three years recoverable reserves of about 260 MMT of oil (and 200 MMT of oil equivalent of gas) was added.

Land grabbing by some Mafia gang in the Railways

2014. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that General Manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi has received a letter dated 14th August, 1991 from Samaj Sudhar Manch, Sangaria, Rajasthan, and a copy of which was endorsed to him about alleged land grabbing by a Mafia gang in connivance with railway officials;

(b) if so, the details of the complaint; and

(c) whether Government have taken the action to investigate the complaint?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been alleged that railway land at Sangaria has been encroached upon with the connivance of railway officials.

(c) On receipt of the complaint, the site was jointly inspected by officials of the Railway and the Revenue Department and also the complainant and it was found that there has been no encroachment on railway land as alleged.

Status to casual employees in the Railways

2015. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court in their judgement in WP. 147, 320-690, 454 had given temporary status to casual employees;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Fourth Pay Commission had recommended extension of the benefit of encashment of earned leave to casual employees;

(c) if so, the action Government have taken in pursuance of the Supreme Court's verdict; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Instructions were issued to railway administrations in September, 1986 to implement the directives of the Supreme Court in a phased manner.

(d) Does not airse.

Construction of railway line in Arunachal Pradesh

2016. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh a proposal for construction of new railway line from Silapathar Railway Station to Along, headquarters of West Siange District of Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when this project is likely to be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) The Hon'ble Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Arunachal Pradesh had proposed construction of a new Railway line between Silapathar and Along.

(c) There is no proposal to take up this line at present due to constraint of resources.